

STATEMENT OF WORK
Prescribed Grazing (528)
Vermont

These deliverables apply to this individual practice. For other planned practice deliverables refer to those specific Statements of Work

Deliverables

DESIGN

1. Design documents that demonstrate criteria in practice standard have been met and are compatible with planned and applied practices
 - a. Practice purpose(s) as identified in the conservation plan.
 - b. List of required permits to be obtained by the client
 - c. List of facilitating practices
 - d. Practice standard criteria-related inventories and analyses to develop grazing management plans including but not limited to:
 - i. Resource and forage inventories
 - ii. Forage-animal balance
 - iii. Grazing Plans
 - iv. Drought Plan
2. Written plans and specifications including sketches, job sheets, and drawings shall be provided to the client that adequately describes the requirements to install the practice and obtain necessary permits. N/A
3. Identify fields where practice to be applied on a farm plan map.
4. Specification sheet provided to the client that adequately describes the requirements to apply the practice and obtain necessary permits.
5. Operation and maintenance plan
6. Certification that the Grazing Management Plan meets practice standard criteria and comply with applicable laws and regulations
7. Design modifications during installation as required

INSTALLATION

1. Pre-application conference with client for all components of system (fence,
2. Verification that client has obtained required permits
3. Application assistance
4. Facilitate and implement required design modifications with client and original designer
5. Advise client/NRCS on compliance issues with all federal, state, tribal, and local laws, regulations and NRCS policies during implementation
6. Certification that the application process and materials meets grazing management plan and permit requirements

CHECK OUT

1. Records of application
 - a. Extent of practice units (acres) applied and date applied.
 - b. Utilization check
2. Certification that the application meets NRCS standards and specifications and is in compliance with permits
3. Exit conference with client and contractor
4. Signed contractor certification form (NRCS Eng 5) for any structural (or engineered) practices.
5. Progress reporting

REFERENCES

- NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG), Section IV, Conservation Practice Standard – Prescribed Grazing-528 [http://efotg.nrcs.usda.gov/references/public/VT/VT528\(3-03\).pdf](http://efotg.nrcs.usda.gov/references/public/VT/VT528(3-03).pdf)
 - Range and Pasture Handbook
<http://www.glti.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/publications/nrph.html>
 - NRCS National Environmental Compliance Handbook
http://policy.nrcs.usda.gov/scripts/lpsiis.dll/H/H_190_610_Content.htm
 - NRCS Cultural Resources Handbook
http://policy.nrcs.usda.gov/scripts/lpsiis.dll/H/H_190_610_Content.htm
- Grazing information for the Northeast
<http://www.umaine.edu/grazingguide/>